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- 1. EC COMMISSION REGULATION NO. 1324/75 OF MAY 23, 1975 SET NEW GRAIN EXPORT SUBSIDIES EFFECTIVE MAY 24, TO WHICH WE REFERRED IN PARAGRAPH 3 OF REF. B. THE NEW SUBSIDIES FOR WHEAT CXT 10.01 A ARE, IN U.A. PER METRIC TON:
- --AUSTRIA, SWITZERLAND, LICHTENSTEIN 25.00
- --ZONES I, V, VI, VII A) AND MALTA 40.00
- --OTHER THIRD COUNTRIES 32.00

FAR EAST COUNTRIES ARE INCLUDED IN "OTHER THIRD COUNTRIES".

2. THE ONLY ADDITIONAL SUBSIDY CURRENTLY IN EXISTENCE IS 2 U.A. PER METRIC TON TO OFFSET THE HIGHER COSTS OF SHIPMENTS AROUND THE CAPE OF GOOD HOPE INSTEAD OF THROUGH THE SUEZ UNCLASSIFIED

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CANAL. FYI: THE CHEYSSON FUND PAYS PART OR ALL OF THE FREIGHT

COSTS OF FOOD AID SHIPMENTS FOR COUNTRIES NOT ABLE TO PAY IT. COUNTRIES ELIGIBLE FOR THIS ASSISTANCE ARE THOSE ON THE UN'S LIST OF 32 MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED COUNTRIES.

- 3. THE QUANTITY OF LICENSES ISSUED FOR WHEAT EXPORTS DURING THE PERIOD MAY 15-20 INCLUSIVE, IS 750,000 M.T.
- 4. RE PARAGRAPH 3. REFTEL A. WE DO NOT GET THE REUTER REPORTS AND ARE UNAWARE OF THE "OMINOUS SUBSIDIZATION MOVES". HOWEVER, AS REPORTED IN REFTELS B AND C WE FIRST RAISED THIS ISSUE WITH LEONDURAND, COMMISSION DIVISION CHIEF IN CHARGE OF GRAINS, AND THEN FOLLOWED UP WITH DE GRUBEN. WE HAVE ALSO INFORMED THE DIRECTORATE-GENERAL OF EXTERNAL RELATIONS ABOUT OUR CONCERN OVER THIS ISSUE AND THAT IT MAY WELL FIGURE IN THE US/EC CONSULTATIONS.

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